

Mrs. DEMINGS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the lives of Lieutenant Debra Clayton of the Orlando Police Department and Deputy Norm Lewis of the Orange County Sheriff's Office.

Lieutenant Clayton was an outstanding officer, a loving wife, mother, and friend. One year ago today, she was shot and killed while attempting to apprehend a murder suspect.

Deputy Lewis was killed the same day while searching for Lieutenant Clayton's killer. Deputy Lewis was deeply admired by all of his colleagues: a man described as a "gentle giant," who played for the UCF Knights and went on to be a true public servant.

Mr. Speaker, it has been said that when a law enforcement officer falls, a part of America dies.

Today we recognize these two public servants and pay tribute to them for paying the ultimate sacrifice. Today we also take a moment on Law Enforcement Appreciation Day to thank law enforcement officers throughout our Nation who serve and protect us and our families.

IRANIAN PEOPLE ARE ENSLAVED BY THE MULLAHS

(Mr. POE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, cracks are beginning to form in the iron grip of the Iranian regime. The oppressed people of Iran have taken to the streets to demand an end to the corrupt and brutal dictatorship.

The mullahs in Tehran have stolen the wealth of the country and the people, lining their own pockets and funding terror throughout the Middle East.

Like in 2009, when the Iranian people rose up to confront the corruption of the regime, these Iranians have been met with harsh violence and been murdered in the streets. Thousands of others have been imprisoned. In 2009, however, the United States sat in the stands as a spectator and watched the Ayatollah crush freedom.

I applaud this President's show of support for freedom in Iran. The United States must show political and public support for our friends for liberty in Iran.

As President Kennedy once said: "Let every Nation know, whether it wishes us well or ill, that we will pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe, in order to assure the survival and the success of liberty."

Like our friends in Iran.

And that is just the way it is.

CELEBRATING THE HISTORY OF TEXAS

(Ms. JACKSON LEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I have often come to this floor to remind

my colleagues of the devastation that the people of Texas have experienced with Hurricane Harvey. I certainly don't intend to ignore our other friends in the Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, Florida, and California who have experienced their own devastation, along with Louisiana.

But I am excited today, Mr. Speaker, because I am introducing a bill that celebrates the history of Texas. H.R. 4745 is the emancipation national historic trail. Many people know that the Emancipation Proclamation was not heard in Texas but for 2 years later in 1865.

This emancipation national historic trail recounts the journey of many of those individuals: freed slaves going from the Osterman Building and Reedy Chapel in Galveston, Texas; along Texas State Highway 3, Interstate Highway 45 North, Freedmen's Town, and Emancipation Park in Houston, Texas; following the migration route of newly freed slaves and other persons of African descent; from the major 19th century seaport of Galveston.

It is a collaboration with people from both parties throughout the community. It is one of unity, Mr. Speaker. It is one where we are coming together.

I look forward to passing this legislation with my colleagues—Republicans and Democrats—because it is a celebration of the history of Texas.

STOP THE BLEED

(Mr. ROE of Tennessee asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ROE of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, as a physician, I rise today to raise awareness about the value of comprehensive training aimed at preventing deaths after a traumatic injury occurs.

Last fall, I took part in a "Stop the Bleeding" training course offered by the American College of Surgeons. This simple training teaches individuals how to treat bleeding injuries and help save a life.

Each year, more than 180,000 people die from traumatic injuries. The most common and easily preventable cause of these deaths is too much blood loss in the critical minutes before trained first responders arrive. With an average response time of 8 to 12 minutes once 911 is called, it is the responsibility for all of us to prepare to help others in the event of a traumatic injury.

I look forward to working with my fellow Members of Congress and advocates, such as my friends of the American College of Surgeons, to raise awareness of the value of this life-saving technique.

WOMEN AND THE TAX SCAM

(Mrs. LAWRENCE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. LAWRENCE. Mr. Speaker, last month, Republicans rammed through a terrible tax bill with devastating consequences, and women are among the hardest hit. This tax plan drains funds from working mothers while giving huge tax breaks to corporations and the wealthy.

Women are breadwinners for half of the American families with children. These women often do more work for less pay.

Nearly six in ten workers in low-wage jobs are women. Women earn 82 cents on the dollar. In Michigan, it is even lower: 74 cents.

The tax plan takes away the individual mandate, so 9.5 million women could lose healthcare—annual exams, birth control, cancer screening, pregnancy support—and lose economic security.

Under this new law, the wealthiest continue to prosper at the expense of hardworking women in this country. We deserve better in America. People deserve better than this reckless tax bill.

NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION DAY

(Mr. FITZPATRICK asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to mark National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day.

In 2017, 128 law enforcement officers were killed in the line of duty. Despite the significant danger they face, these brave men and women continue to put their badge on every day, leaving their loved ones at home, to protect our friends, our families, and our communities.

I was fortunate to be a member of the thin blue line for nearly a decade and a half as an FBI special agent. During that time, I worked with some of the most dedicated, mission-oriented professionals in the Nation, to include Federal, State, and local law enforcement officers.

I ask that today, and every day, all Americans take a moment to reflect on what our law enforcement officers do to protect our liberties and to ensure the safety of our communities. We owe them a debt of gratitude for their service and for their sacrifice.

As I did last year, I urge the President to observe this day by lighting the White House blue this evening.

CONGRATULATING COLONEL BRIT HATLEY AND THE HAPPY HOOLIGANS

(Mr. CRAMER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CRAMER. Mr. Speaker, no U.S. Air Force unit has ever won more than 19 Outstanding Unit Awards. This last Saturday, I was honored to be in Fargo

as the North Dakota Air National Guard's 119th Wing was awarded their 19th.

The 119th Wing, known as the Happy Hooligans, has received this prestigious recognition nearly constantly since 2006.

The Air Force Outstanding Unit Award is given to numbered units of the Active Duty Air Force, Air National Guard, and U.S. Air Force Reserve that have distinguished themselves by exceptionally meritorious service or outstanding achievement.

The mission of the 119th Wing is to provide trained and ready airmen, executing world class MQ-9 and reconnaissance kinetic and nonkinetic target intelligence production, and expeditionary support capabilities for the Nation and State.

Mr. Speaker, Aristotle said: "We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit."

Freedom-loving people around the world are grateful to the Happy Hooligans from Fargo for making excellence in defending liberty a habit.

Congratulations, Colonel Brit Hatley and Hooligans, and thank you for your outstanding service to the cause of freedom around the world.

DREAMERS

(Mr. ROHRABACHER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ROHRABACHER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to draw attention to the American people to information that is being kept from them. So often the good will and good-heartedness of the American people is manipulated to achieve goals that sometimes are detrimental to our people and detrimental to our country as well.

Today, the American people are being told that there are young people who are here illegally, brought by their parents at an early age—they call them DREAMers—and that we must be concerned about them, as we are. Of course, we are concerned about them. Our sympathy is with young people anywhere who want a better life.

But what the American people are not being told is that there are 850,000 of these young people. That is being left out of the discussion. They are looking to be legalized. When they are legalized, that means they can apply for family reunification, which means that they then will receive government benefits and even more people will come in under their platform.

I suggest that we take a look to see what 850,000 more young people and the millions more who will come will do to the American people.

NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION DAY

(Mr. LAMALFA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, I rise in recognition of National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day. But it isn't just a day for all of us; it should be every day. They are on the front lines protecting our families, our lives, our homes, and our values. We need to keep that in mind: to appreciate them every day.

When you see them in the community, they are not someone to be afraid of. They are our neighbors. They are doing the same things we are: raising their kids, sending their kids to school, going to the park, and enjoying life, just as we do.

With all of the misunderstanding about law enforcement these days, it is really disheartening to see what some of our law enforcement officers have to put up with in order to do a job to protect all of us.

Each year, we lose many officers. At least 125 were lost in the line of duty last year, including eight in my home State of California.

I want to tell them that we do appreciate them: from the California Highway Patrol that keeps an eye on our offices, the Capitol Hill Police here, our city police, our county sheriffs, all of them. We do appreciate them because we know they are on the front line and they are just like us. We want to honor them constantly for stepping forward to do a very difficult task that is sometimes misunderstood and unappreciated. The vast majority of us Americans and northern Californians do appreciate them. God bless them all and may they be safe.

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NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION DAY

(Mr. PALAZZO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PALAZZO. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to our Nation's law enforcement men and women. The safety and security of our communities is the result of our law enforcement men and women, who wake up every single day to protect neighborhoods from criminals, fight crime, ensure justice, and keep the peace.

In 2017, 125 officers died in the line of duty. Their deaths are a sober reminder that our Nation's law enforcement officers face danger every day they carry out their duty to protect the American people. They run towards danger while everyone else is running away.

No matter what, they serve and protect. They serve and protect so that you and I may be free from harm.

Their diligent service does not go unnoticed, and today, on behalf of Mississippi's Fourth Congressional District, we thank them for their bravery, fortitude, and sacrifice.

So thank you to the men and women in blue. We are a safer nation because

of the bravery of you and your families. Thank you for choosing to live a life of service. Your sacrifice and heroism will never be forgotten. Happy Law Enforcement Appreciation Day, and God bless you.

PROTESTS IN IRAN

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. DUNN). Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2017, the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. GARRETT) is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the majority leader.

Mr. GARRETT. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. BISHOP).

PAYING TRIBUTE TO TWO OAKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES

Mr. BISHOP of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today on National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day with a heavy heart to pay tribute to two of Michigan's finest Oakland County sheriff's deputies and their legacy of service.

Oakland County Sheriff's Deputy Eric Overall, a 22-year-old veteran of the sheriff's department, was killed this past Thanksgiving while serving and protecting. Deputy Overall was pursuing a suspect who posed a threat to the public and died ensuring no one else's life was put in danger that day.

He is remembered by his friends and family as someone who lived by the mantra "never quit." Sonja Overall, the widow of Eric Overall, described her husband as a man of integrity who truly left his stamp on everyone's heart. His life and legacy will never be forgotten.

Now, just 5 days ago, the Oakland County Sheriff's Office suffered yet another tragedy. Oakland County Sheriff's Deputy David Hack, a 17-year veteran of the sheriff's office, was securing a car accident scene when he was critically struck by a passing car.

Deputy Hack is well known in the Rochester community, as he serves as the sheriff's liaison at Rochester Adams High School in Rochester Hills, Michigan.

He is currently in critical condition. I would like his family to know that all the students, educators, and staff at Adams High School and the Rochester community schools are praying for his recovery and his continued strength to keep fighting until he is fully recovered. Indeed, our entire Rochester community sends our prayers.

Please join me in a moment of silence for Deputy Hack's recovery and to honor the memory and mourn the loss of Deputy Eric Overall.

Mr. Speaker, on this National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day, I send my deepest condolences to their family, friends, Oakland County Sheriff Michael Bouchard, and the entire Oakland County Sheriff's Office during this time of tragedy and loss.

Mr. GARRETT. Mr. Speaker, 39 years ago, a collective nightmare was foisted